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ZKZK PP ORA DE P 192ØØØZ FM DIRNSA TO NSA/TANGO ALFA ZEM ~~T O P S E C R E T UMBRA~~ SECTION SEVEN XXMMENPØ7-TB19Ø11 CONTAINS ~~ISHTAR~~ (IN PARAGRAPHS SO MARKED) 3/00/[redacted]R16-71 NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC A FURTHER REFERENCE TO THE USE OF CHEMICAL AGENTS BY ALLIED FORCES WAS CONTAINED IN A 14 JANUARY REPORT FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED REAR SERVICES UNIT OF PROBABLY BINH TRAM (BT) 41 (XD 727257, 16-31N 1Ø6-37E, ALONG ROUTE 926). REPORTEDLY THE $ENEMY$ HAD STRUCK THE UNIT WITH AN APPARENT $CHEMICAL WEAPON$ WHICH LEFT THEM WITH $A SLIGHT IRRITATION OF THE NOSE AND WATERING OF THE EYES.$ THE CAPTURE OF AN AMERICAN CAPTAIN WAS REPORTED IN A 16 JANUARY MESSAGE FROM BT 33 (XD 353Ø, 16-33N 1Ø6-16E). THE MESSAGE REVEALED THAT 1Ø OF THE $ENEMY$ FROM BZS2 (PROBABLE DESIGNATOR FOR AN RLA UNIT) HAD BEEN KILLED IN THE AMBUSH. (2/00/VCJ/R3Ø-71, 18213ØZ) V. NORTH VIETNAM A. GROUND FORCES MILITARY REGION 4 THE THREAT POSED BY ALLIED AIRCRAFT CARRIERS OFF THE COAST OF QUANG BINH PROVINCE DISTURBED ELEMENTS OF THE NVA 3Ø4TH DIVISION. ON 16 JANUARY AN ELEMENT OF THE DIVISION REPORTED THAT THERE WERE AIRCRAFT CARRIERS 5Ø KM FROM THE COAST OF QUANG BINH AND THAT THESE VESSELS WERE MOVING IN CLOSER TO THE COAST. HE SPECULATED THAT LARGE RAIDS MIGHT BE LAUNCHED FROM THE CARRIERS. ALSO ON 16 JANUARY A 3Ø4TH DIVISION ELEMENT REPORTED ON ALLIED AIR ACTIVITY IN THE VICINITY OF ROUTE 1Ø (UNSPECIFIED). COMMUNICATION OF THE NVA 164TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT CONTINUE TO DISCLOSE COORDINATION WITH NEARBY UNITS AND UNIT LOCATIONS. ON 17 JANUARY AN ELEMENT OF THE REGIMENT REPORTED THAT IT HAD COORDINATED WITH A 19TH BATTALION (PROBABLY THE 19TH BATTALION OF THE NVA 32ØTH DIVISION). ANOTHER ELEMENT OF THE REGIMENT REQUESTED REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE 5TH COMPANY TO BE PRESENT AT THE 2D BATTALION'S LOCATION AT VAN TRACH TOWNSHIP IN BO TRACH DISTRICT (XE 63Ø45Ø, 17-35N 1Ø6-32E) IN ORDER TO CELEBRATE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE BATTALION DURING 197Ø. REGIMENT COMMUNICATION ALSO REVEALED THAT THE 3RD BATTALION'S 11TH COMPANY IS IN VINH LINH. (ISHTAR) ON 17 JANUARY, A MESSAGE FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED, UNLOCATED ELEMENT OF THE NVA 271ST INDEPENDENT REGIMENT TO AN UNIDENTIFIED, UNLOCATED BATTALION OF THE REGIMENT DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF $MOVING TO THANH HOA AND THE NAVY TAKING OVER OUR PRESENT LOCATION.$ THE MESSAGE FURTHER REVEALED THAT THE TROOPS OF THE UNIT AND THE CIVILIANS LIVING IN THE AREA DISCUSSED THE MATTER HEATEDLY SO AS TO UNDERSTAND THE UNIT'S MISSION. THE REFERENCE TO THANH HOA MAY BE RELATING TO THE PROVINCE IN MILITARY REGION 3 RIGHT BANK (MR 3 RB) BORDERING NGHE AN PROVINCE, MR 4, OR A THANH HOA LOCATED AT WF 2988 (18-53N 1Ø5-11E), NGHE AN PROVINCE. ELEMENTS OF THE 271ST REGIMENT ARE CURRENTLY LOCATED BOTH IN NGHE AN AND QUANG BINH PROVINCES, MR 4. (2/00/VCM/T- UNDER PREPARATION) ~~(SECRET SPOKE ISHTAR)~~ B. AIR/AIR DEFENSE FORCES 1. [redacted]

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